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**ARCS I**

**Site Inspection  
Trip Report  
for  
Onsite Reconnaissance**

**Amtrak General Maintenance Facility/Metro North**

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CDM Federal Programs Corporation (CDM Federal) conducted a site reconnaissance (recon) at the Amtrak General Maintenance Facility and the Metro North facility (Amtrak/Metro North), located in New Haven, Connecticut, at 9:00 am on November 5, 1993, to meet with appropriate site personnel and to document the current condition of the site (Figure 1). CDM's field team, consisting of Dean Costello (site manager), Jay Eidson (Site Health and Safety Officer), and Todd Stribley (field technician) met with site officials at that time.

Activities conducted during the recon included a meeting with site officials and a site walkover. Site officials at the Amtrak/Metro North facility included John Jensen (Connecticut Department of Transportation--Environmental Compliance), Larry Forbes, Alan Mancini, Jack Reidy, Beata Zolvodowski (Connecticut Department of Transportation--Rail Operations), Ken McHale (Metro North Commuter Railroad--Safety/Environmental Protection), and Bill Heiple (Metcalf & Eddy--Amtrak environmental consultants).

Mr. Reidy and Mr. Forbes described the chain of ownership of the facility. The entire area, except for three small parcels, is currently owned by the Connecticut Department of Transportation (CDOT), which leases land to Amtrak and Metro North for their current operations. Between 200 and 250 people are presently working at the facility, not counting contractor employees who are renovating and demolishing the car shop. Mr. Jensen described previous environmental sampling efforts that have taken place at the facility, and Mr. Heiple presented CDM with a copy of all of the site sampling information that is currently available.

The site safety officer was responsible for monitoring the concentration of volatile organic compounds (VOCs) and dust in the ambient air while the field team conducted the recon. The instrument used to monitor VOCs was an organic vapor monitor (OVM) 580-B. The OVM was calibrated off-site at 8:45 am. A miniram was used to monitor dust in the atmosphere. The miniram was calibrated at the CDM equipment storeroom on November 4, 1993.

Sampling is not expected to occur as part of this Site Investigation, therefore a Task Work Plan has not been developed. CDM developed and implemented a Site Safety Plan and a Site Reconnaissance Checklist for this field event.

